



21st Annual *In the*
Company
of **Women**

March 4, 2009

NOMINATION FORM

Nominate an Outstanding Woman Today

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Please send completed form to
Lisa Fernandez
Women's Park | 10251 West Flagler St. | Miami 33174

Nominator's Name _____

Affiliation/Business/Organization _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone: Work or Cell _____ Home _____

Email Address _____

You may nominate one person per form. Please select one category for the person you are nominating from the list below. You may attach your typed responses to the nomination form.

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

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| <input type="radio"/> Outstanding Woman in Arts & Entertainment | <input type="radio"/> Outstanding Woman in Government & Law |
| <input type="radio"/> Outstanding Woman in Business & Economics | <input type="radio"/> Outstanding Woman in Health & Human Services |
| <input type="radio"/> Outstanding Woman in Communications & Literature | <input type="radio"/> Outstanding Woman in Science & Technology |
| <input type="radio"/> Outstanding Woman in Education & Research | <input type="radio"/> Outstanding Woman in Sports & Athletics |

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MAYOR CARLOS ALVAREZ PIONEER AWARD

The Pioneer Award honors a woman who has proven leadership, creativity, and vision in addressing community issues in Miami-Dade County within the past 10 years.

- ☐ **Mayor's Pioneer Award** – *For this nomination you must also submit recommendation letters from 3 individuals.*

Nominee's Name _____

Affiliation/Business/Organization _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone: Work or Cell _____ Home _____

Email Address _____

Biography on nominee (100 words or less)

In what capacity do you know the nominee?

Why are you nominating this person?

I. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Briefly describe any recent promotions/increased job responsibilities, industry recognition and contributions to her chosen field.

II. COMMUNITY RESPONSIBILITY

Briefly describe her community involvement, volunteer activities, impact on social, educational, economic and cultural spheres.

III. LEADERSHIP AND VISION

Briefly describe her ability to motivate people, communication skills, and how she has demonstrated innovative spirit and ability to lead.

IV. CONTRIBUTION TO WOMEN'S PROGRESS

Briefly describe her ability mentor and encourage women to enter or lead in her chosen profession, how she projects a positive role model and advocates for women's issues.

V. PROMOTION OF PLURALISM

Briefly describe how she encourages pluralistic programs in the community, involvement in bridge building and encourages communication among the diverse ethnic/cultural groups.

Education

Professional Background

Honors/Awards

Boards/Committees

A BRIEF HISTORY...

Since 1989, men and women have gathered to honor the outstanding achievements of women throughout Miami-Dade County during the annual In The Company of Women event. This popular and prestigious event serves as part of Women's History Month, observed annually in March. The event has received recognition from the National Association of Counties and the Southern Region of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission.

HOW TO NOMINATE...

All women in Miami-Dade County who have exemplified **Professional Development, Community Responsibility, Leadership and Vision, Contribution to Women's Progress, and Promotion of Pluralism** are eligible to be nominated in one of eight professional categories or for the Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos Alvarez Pioneer Award.

A committee of community leaders will review nomination forms in order to determine the nominee's eligibility. For the professional awards, emphasis will be placed on the nominee's contribution to women's progress in her profession/area of interest. For the Pioneer Award, emphasis will be placed on overall involvement in the community and women's progress. Appointees from Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos Alvarez office will review nominations for the Mayor's Pioneer Award.

Past recipients of the In the Company award are not eligible. A list of past award winners is available at www.miamidade.gov/parks.

If nominee is selected for the award, she must be available to meet one day during July 2008 for a video interview and to be photographed for the 2009 awards event. Complete information will be sent directly to winners.

Nominators are required to complete the attached nomination form, then submit nine copies of the nomination form along with nine photocopies of any newspaper or magazine articles about the nominee if available.

If you are nominating a woman for the Mayor's Pioneer Award, please submit only three photocopies of the nomination form. You must also submit three photocopies of recommendation letters from three individuals, but not from the nominator. You may also submit any newspaper or magazine articles about the nominee if available.

Nomination packets that fail to include these items and/or do not meet the application deadline will be automatically disqualified.

Nomination forms are due May 9, 2008. Nomination packets are to be sent directly to...

**Lisa Fernandez, Manager
Women's Park
10251 West Flagler St.
Miami, FL 33174**

Forms may be downloaded at www.miamidade.gov/parks or picked up at any local Miami-Dade County library.

AWARDS EVENTS...

Beginning January 2009 and continuing through March, the Women's Park will present a series of events honoring In the Company of Women professional award winners. Each of the eight professional award winners will be presented with her award during events listed below. **All events are currently tentative; a complete schedule with event details and dates will be available November 2008.**

Arts & Entertainment - *Art Exhibit with Musical Performance*

Business & Economics - *Business Networking Reception*

Communications & Literature - *Reading in the Park Day*

Education & Research - *Opening of Women's History Exhibit*

Government & Law - *Breakfast with Special Guest Speaker*

Health & Human Services - *Film*

Science & Technology - *Lecture*

Sports & Athletics - *Heart Walk*

Professional Award winners will also be honored at the In the Company of Women event on Wednesday, March 4, 2009. The video interviews will be presented during the event and each award winner will be recognized. At the event, Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos Alvarez will present the Mayor's Pioneer Award. Invitations for the March 4th event will be sent February 2009.

Call Lisa Fernandez at 305-480-1717 ext. 104 or email at Lfern@miamidade.gov for questions or more information.

Please keep this copy for your records.